

AGN. NO. _____

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

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For many years, owners of small businesses have encountered difficulties securing contracts with government agencies. To address the issue, the County created an Office of Small Business and implemented other measures to direct more contracts to small businesses. Members of the County's Small Business Commission are nevertheless concerned that some County business remains inaccessible for smaller companies. Of particular concern is the bundling of multiple small projects, or various tasks, into one solicitation. Some small businesses may be unable to bid because they can only provide some, but not all, of the product or services requested. Members of the Commission would like the County to determine whether un-bundling County contracts would increase the percentage of County contracts that are awarded to small businesses.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Chief Executive Officer, working with the Director of the Internal Services Department and ISD's Office of Small Business, to conduct a study to determine whether un-bundling of County contracts would increase the percentage of County contracts awarded to small businesses, and report back to the Board within 60 days.

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